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August 8, 1994	Reason For This Transmittal
ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE 1–24–94 TO: ALL-COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS	[ ] State Law Change [ ] Federal Law or Regulation
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SUBJECT:

Medi-Cal and In-Home Supportive Services

(IHSS)Aid Codes

REFERENCE:

ACL's 93-76, 93-77 and 94-10

In September 1993 you were notified that IHSS recipients who would have been adversely affected by the 2.7% reduction in Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Program (SSI/SSP) benefits should be treated so that their IHSS status or share of cost would remain unaffected by the 2.7% reduction.

As discussed in ACL 94-10, there are a number of Medi-Cal aid codes which represent categorically needy Medi-Cal recipients who are potentially eligible for the Personal Care Services Program (PCSP).

These two factors have combined to make the presence and detection of Medi-Cal aid codes critical in determining whether a client is eligible for PCSP or must pay a share of cost for IHSS. The purpose of this ACIN is to provide a quick reference flow chart to assist county staff in determining how a given Medi-Cal aid code, and other factors, can affect PCSP eligibility and IHSS share of cost.

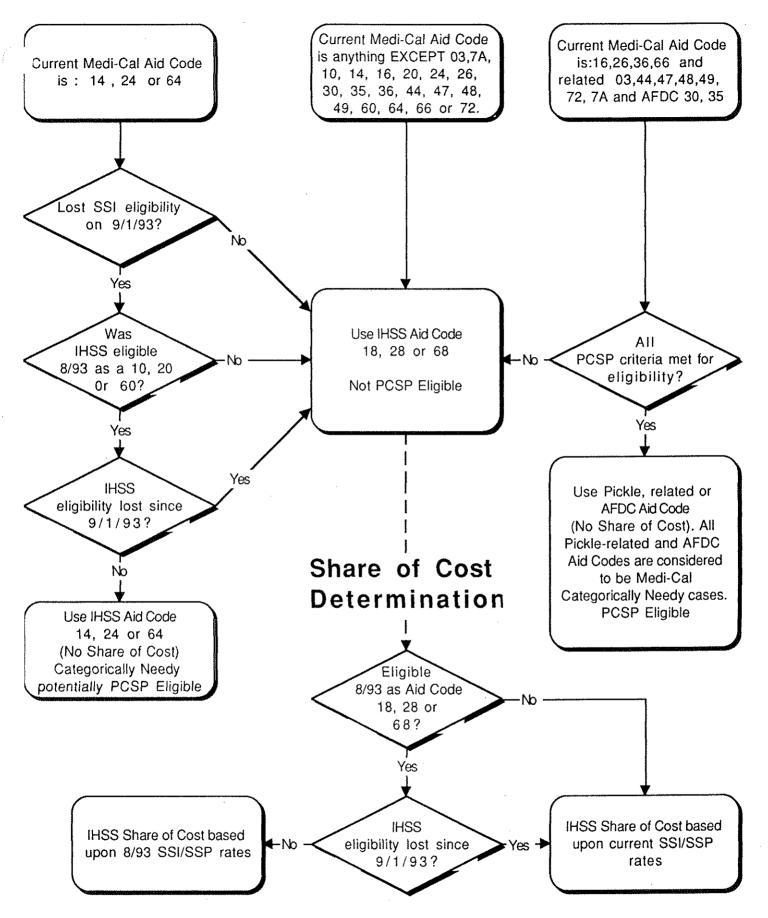
Any questions regarding this ACIN should be directed to Marshall Browne at (916) 387-4619.

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## Aid Code Conversion: Medi-Cal to IHSS



## IHSS/MEDI-CAL AID CODES

14, 24 or 64: For general Medi-Cal purposes, these codes refer to a medically needy individual who is aged blind or disabled but is not eligible for, or does not want, a cash grant. Individuals in these aid codes are not required to pay a Medi-Cal share of cost. only individuals with these Medi-Cal aid codes who are also eligible for a zero share of cost IHSS or PCSP are those who were receiving IHSS/PCSP AND SSI/SSP in August 1993 and whose SSI/SSP was terminated 9/1/93 due to the 2.7% reduction in SSI/SSP benefit levels at that time. To maintain this IHSS share of cost exemption, they must also have maintained continuing eligiblity for IHSS/PCSP as well as the special Medi-Cal share of cost exemption since August 1993.

18, 28 or 68: Indivduals in these aid codes are ones who must pay an IHSS share of cost; they are not eligible for PCSP. In conjunction with the exemption granted to those terminated from SSI/SSP 9/1/93, it was also determined that those IHSS recipients who had a share of cost in August 1993 should not have to pay an increased share of cost in September solely because of the 2.7% SSI/SSP reduction. Individuals in these aid codes who have maintained continual IHSS eligibility IN THESE AID CODES since at least August 1993 will continue to have their IHSS share of cost calculated based on the August 1993 SSI/SSP benefit levels.

Pickle - 16, 26, 36 or 66.

Related -03, 44, 47, 48, 49, 72, 7A

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: A detailed explanation of the Pickle and related aid codes may be found in ACL 94-10. The important aspect of these Medi-Cal aid codes for PCSP purposes is that all recipients in these aid codes are categorically needy Medi-Cal recipients and thus are potentially eligible for PCSP with no share of cost regardless of their income. However, only those individuals who meet all other PCSP eligibility criteria can be exempted from a share of cost. Individuals who are only eligible for Residual IHSS must still pay an IHSS share of cost and be listed as Aid Codes 18, 28, or 68 in CMIPS.